

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appln. No. : 09/910,657 Confirmation No. 2614  
Applicant : Jaepel, et al.  
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TC/A.U. : 2654  
Examiner : Lerner, Martin  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed May 16, 2006 (Office Action), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this submission.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this submission.